

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 451 - HB 1655**

March 4, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Grants licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors the authority to assist clients with applications for state and federal benefits.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**MINIMAL**

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, assistance with applications for state and federal benefits can already be performed.
- Also, this type of assistance is sometimes included in other functions of licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors including treatment planning, case management, client education, referrals, and/or consultations.
- No fiscal impact on state government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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